

FAMOUS DEBT CASE COMES UP TUESDAY

Virginia and West Virginia Will Submit Evidence to Special Master.

NO FURTHER DELAY EXPECTED
Virginia Claims Eight Million Dollars, With Interest Since Year 1861.

After a number of delays and postponements, occasioned mainly because the State of West Virginia was not ready to present her papers at any of the former meetings, the famous debt litigation between the two Virginias, involving many millions of dollars, will be called in the courtroom of the United States Supreme Court at 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning before Ex-Congressman Charles B. Litchfield, of Maine, who was appointed by the United States Supreme Court to take the accounts as special master.

Mr. Litchfield will arrive in the city tomorrow and will sit at the Jefferson Hotel. So far as is known, there will be no further postponement of the case, as both sides are understood to be ready, and it is believed that all the papers will be submitted and the witnesses examined on sitting.

Great Legal Battle.
The case, which has been agitated between the two States, one way or another for many years, has now reached an interesting stage, and a long array of lawyers will appear on each side. It looks as if it will be a great legal battle, and that nearly every proposition made by either side will be contested, as it is understood that the contentions of the two States are far apart.

One lawyer representing Virginia, which State is the plaintiff in the suit, are Attorney-General William A. Anderson, Major Holmes Conrad, of Winchester, Randolph Harrison, of Charlottesville, and John B. Moon, of Charlottesville.

Former Governor W. M. O. Dawson has been recently added to the list of attorneys for West Virginia, and is, with the following, who were formerly in the case, the West Virginia side. Former United States Senator John C. Spooner, of Wisconsin; ex-Secretary of the Treasury John G. Carlisle, of New York; Attorney-General W. G. Conley, Professor Charles E. Hooper, and John B. Moon, of Charlottesville.

Virginia Was Prompt.
The schedules ordered by the special master on behalf of Virginia were presented to the court for West Virginia in September and October last, and the case was set for hearing on November 2. It was postponed at the instance of West Virginia until November 16, when Virginia submitted all seven of the statements called for by the special master and prepared by expert accountants.

West Virginia asked for further time for the preparation of her case, and the special master granted a postponement until February 16 of the present year. On the other hand, West Virginia again appeared to the master for further time, and this move was opposed by counsel for Virginia, but the master finally granted the motion and fixed next Tuesday as the day for the final hearing of the matter, with the understanding that each side should be furnished with the other's case by the day before.

West Virginia should be furnished to counsel for Virginia as soon as possible. It was then expected that some of them would be furnished by April 1.

Were Long Delayed.
Three of the schedules to be furnished to counsel for Virginia were delivered last Monday afternoon, and another was handed to the Attorney-General on Thursday. The remaining three will probably be ready before the day for the hearing to begin.

As it is believed that the case will be decided by the master, and as it is understood that the statements filed by West Virginia exclude a great many items which counsel for Virginia insist are proper items to be included in the account, and embrace a number of items which will be controverted by Virginia.

It is further understood that West Virginia will insist that some of the accounts shall be stated upon entirely different principles from those contended for by Virginia, and embodied in the statements already filed on her behalf. It is supposed that the statements filed by West Virginia will be taken up before the master, and witnesses examined as to the accuracy of the figures, and compare them with the statements filed by Virginia.

May End Shortly.
The case now reaches a most interesting stage, and all points of difference between the two States will soon be brought out. It is believed that the hearing will proceed rapidly, and that it will be determined by the master within a comparatively short time. None of the lawyers for Virginia has seen any of the statements filed by West Virginia, and they will probably not have an opportunity to examine them until tomorrow. The statements filed by Virginia show that West Virginia owes between \$7,000,000 and \$8,000,000, with interest from 1861. It would cause no great surprise should West Virginia contend that Virginia is in debt to her.

This will give some idea of how far apart the States are on the proposition, and how much fighting is probable before they get together. It was the late Jefferson Davis who said on one occasion in the United States Senate that "nothing would be so effectively as an ingeniously arranged compilation of figures, except a more ingeniously arranged compilation of facts."

John B. Moon, of Albemarle, chairman of the Virginia Debt Commission and associate counsel for the State in the pending litigation with West Virginia, arrived in the city yesterday, and was in conference with Attorney-General Anderson and Judge William B. Holt, the latter being a member of the commission. Major Holmes Conrad and Randolph Harrison, the other lawyers in the case on the Virginia side, are expected to arrive here to-day or tomorrow.

Attorney-General W. G. Conley, of West Virginia, arrived last night, and is registered at the Jefferson. Accompanying him are John C. Spooner, of Wisconsin, and John G. Carlisle, of New York, who are associate counsel. The other West Virginia lawyers are expected to arrive tomorrow morning.

Senator Charles James Faulkner, of West Virginia, arrived in the city last night, and he is also at the Jefferson. Although Senator Faulkner is not named as one of the attorneys in the case, it is not improbable that he is here for the purpose of taking part in the fight on the part of the State.

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RAILROADS SHOW LARGER EARNINGS

Great Increase in Freight Receipts Over Corresponding Period of Last Year.

Not earnings of railroads in Virginia during the spring months are showing a heavy increase, according to statements for the month of March, issued yesterday, for both the Chesapeake and Ohio and Norfolk and Western roads. While figures for April are not available as yet, a high official of the Chesapeake and Ohio is authority for the statement that the month just past is the best April in the history of that road. Notwithstanding the depression in railroad earnings and business for the past year or more, the statements indicate a large increase in the receipts from both freight and passenger traffic, and an increased outlay for equipment and maintenance.

Chesapeake and Ohio.
Comptroller L. F. Sullivan, of the Chesapeake and Ohio, issued yesterday the following statement of comparative earnings for March:
Gross earnings, \$2,249,642.74; March of last year, \$1,946,921.27, an increase of \$302,721.47.

The expenses during the same month were \$1,663,341.11, compared with \$1,474,155.44 last year, an increase of \$189,185.71. The net earnings were \$585,788.63, against \$472,765.83 last year, an increase of \$113,022.80.

Figuring from the first of the fiscal year, July 1, to March 31, a period of nine months, the statement shows gross earnings of \$19,636,252.43, against \$20,283,365.76, a decrease of \$647,113.33. The expenses in the same period were \$15,126,539.55, compared with \$15,507,135.52 for the corresponding period of the previous year, a decrease of \$380,596.07.

For the nine months ending March 31 net earnings showed an increase of \$63,127.4, as compared with the nine months ending March 31, 1908.

Norfolk and Western.
Equally satisfactory increases in all lines of business are shown in a statement issued yesterday by Joseph W. Cox, controller of the Norfolk and Western, covering the earnings and expenses of that road for March, and showing an increase in net earnings over the corresponding month of last year of 21 per cent. While the passenger mail and express earnings increased but 8 per cent, the freight earnings increased 22 per cent. Total earnings for the month were \$2,497,368.55, against \$2,069,373.22 in March of last year, an increase of \$428,000.33, or 20 per cent. Net earnings for March were \$969,208.18, as compared with \$793,565.63 last year, an increase of \$165,642.55, or 21 per cent. The net earnings for July 1, 1908, to March 31, 1909, showed an increase of \$746,688.92, as compared with the corresponding period ending March 31, 1908.

Bedford Man Enters Race for Head of Agricultural Department.
Information was received here yesterday to the effect that J. Thompson Brown, of Bedford, had entered the race for the Democratic nomination for Commissioner of Agriculture and Immigration, subject to the action of the State primary to be held in August.

Mr. Brown is a prominent farmer, and is widely known throughout the State, having held many responsible public positions within the past twenty years. He was several times a member of the House of Delegates from Bedford, and has been a member of the State Senate. He is a member of the National Farmers' Union, and has been a member of the National Agricultural Association.

Mr. Brown took an active part in the work of framing the new Constitution, especially those schedules relating to the subjects of agriculture and education. He was for many years rector of the board of visitors of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and has done a great deal of valuable work in connection with that college.

He is a resident member of one of the leading social clubs here. It is understood that Mr. Brown will make a thorough canvass of the State, and his entrance into the field will have the effect of injecting new life into the campaign. He is regarded as one of the soundest business men in the Piedmont section of the State, and he is a pleasing speaker who is thoroughly capable of taking care of himself on the stump. Commissioner George Wellington Kiefer has already announced himself a candidate for reelection, and the race promises to be lively.

J. THOMPSON BROWN SHOWS NEED FOR TO OPPOSE KIEFER NEW SCHOOLS HERE

Chairman Hutzler to Address Richmond Education Association Tuesday Night.

The annual meeting of the Richmond Education Association will be held on Tuesday evening, May 4, at 8:15 o'clock, in the city hall. Reports will be heard at this time from the various branches of the work of the association. It is expected that informal discussions of the plans and purposes of the association will be engaged in by various members of the association.

The women of Richmond, who take so deep an interest in this work, and whose faithful service its success is largely due to, will be heard from on this occasion. Charles Hutzler, chairman of the City School Board, will address the meeting on Richmond's need of school buildings. There will be a special feature in the program, a musical performance by the Richmond Education Association. A request on the part of the School Board for a considerable sum of money to meet the city's requirements in this line is now before the Finance Committee. Since a generous support of Richmond's public schools has the hearty and enthusiastic backing of the body of her citizenship, it is expected that a discussion of this important topic will excite widespread interest.

The membership of the Richmond Education Association is catholic and broadly representative, and its work in Richmond during the past nine years has done much to stimulate intelligent interest in public education, and to sustain the demand of the School Board for improved school facilities commensurate with the rapid advance of the city's social and industrial development.

NOW THEY'LL SING TO GET HIS VOICE

Records Show That 11,682 Citizens Paid Their Poll Tax Up to Closing Hour Yesterday.

BIG JUMP OVER LAST YEAR

Heavy Registration Due Largely to Possibility of Local Option Election.

Up to the hour of closing at the City Treasurer's office yesterday 11,682 persons had paid their capitation tax in order to qualify for the general election, which will be held six months from to-day, Tuesday, November 2. The list of voters qualified to take part in the general election will be used for both the city primary on June 21, and the State primary later in the summer.

Deputy Treasurer Isaac Held, who has had charge of the collection of poll-tax in the office of City Treasurer J. B. Pace, kept open until 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon to accommodate tardy tax-payers, and there were many to avail themselves of the opportunity. In fact, for the last three or four days there has been an almost continuous line of people waiting to pay the tax, and the would-be voters securing their receipts.

Two Thousand Over Last Year.
After the hour of closing Mr. Held said that the list this year would be fully 2,000 or 2,200 in excess of last year.

Of the total number who paid this year's taxes in the office of the City Treasurer there may be some who have not settled for the two previous years required by the Constitution, and these will add to the number. In order to avoid this, more than 800 who failed to pay last year or the year before have applied to Clerk Walter Christian, of the Hustings Court, during the past week, and settled delinquent poll-taxes for the two years.

Allowing for veterans of the Civil War, exempt from the payment of poll-tax as a prerequisite for voting, the qualified electorate of Richmond for the coming year will be between 11,000 and 11,500. This number exceeds the number of ballots cast in any election held in Richmond since the new Constitution went into effect. It was generally conceded in political circles that much of this heavy registration was due to the possibility of a local option election in Richmond. Among those who qualified in the closing days were about 150 negroes.

Baptist Young People's Rally.
Arrangements are now well under way for the great rally of the Richmond and Manchester forces of the Baptist Young People's Union, which will be held at the auditorium of the Second Baptist Church, corner Franklin and Adams Streets, on Thursday evening, May 6, at 8 o'clock.

The address will be given by J. W. Watson, president of the Southern B. Y. P. U., Prof. Leslie F. Watson will render special organ music, and special songs will be sung by Misses Irene Robinson, Pattie Isaacs, Mrs. Patten and Haddon S. Watkins. The public is invited.

Henrico Court Adjourns.
At the conclusion of the last case in the Circuit Court of Henrico county yesterday morning Judge R. H. Carter formally adjourned the court over to the next term on the first Monday in July. It is probable that the court will be held at the Henrico Hotel, which cannot be left over until the opening of the regular term.

Circuit Court of Appeals.
The spring term of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals will convene at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning at the Henrico Hotel. Judge Carter has been designated to sit, and therefore no term of the United States District Court at Henrico will be held at that time. Several important cases are to come before the court for review.

Fell from Forty-Foot Ladder.
J. A. Dudley, of 925 Louisiana Street, fell from the top of a forty-foot ladder Friday afternoon and broke three ribs and two vertebrae. He was taken to the City Hospital, where he is now lying.

Trustees Named.
In the City Circuit Court yesterday an order was entered by Judge R. Carter, ordering the trustees of the church of the Redeemer, of West End Baptist Church, Ezekiel Johnson and Robert Walker, to hold the church property until the church was authorized to encumber the lot on which the church stands to the extent of \$400.

Bury Brooks To-Day.
The body of Brooks, who committed suicide Friday afternoon, was buried at the New Reservoir, was shipped to Ashland at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The funeral will be held there at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

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JOHNSON AGAIN BROKE RECORD OF PRECEDING YEAR

Liked It So Well Before That He Has Come Back With Friends for Recreation.

MINNESOTA FIGHT IS OVER

Democratic Governor Got His Reforms Through Legislature Controlled by Enemy.

Governor John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, accompanied by a number of friends, will arrive in the city over the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway from the West at 3:45 P. M. to-day, and will probably remain here for several days. Governor Johnson and party will be at the Jefferson Hotel, and though their plans are not definitely known here, it is expected that they will spend several days at Old Point before returning to their State homes.

The information concerning Governor Johnson's visit to Richmond was received here through a letter to Colonel Joseph Burton from Charles W. Farnham, attorney for the Minnesota Department of Insurance, who will be a member of the Governor's party.

There are ten persons in the party, and the trip is being made into the South purely for recreation and pleasure. It is not known whether they will go further South or return home from Richmond, though it is almost certain that they will go to the seashore before leaving the State.

The Minnesota State Reformatory, which is overwhelmingly Republican, has just adjourned, and it is said that Governor Johnson is much in need of rest, as he has "been through the mill" in the past few months, trying to get through some of the reforms which he promised to people in his last campaign. The Republican leaders are understood to have fought these reforms with a view to crippling the Governor's political career, but all passed, and have now become law.

Governor Johnson is not a stranger in Richmond. He came here last spring and delivered an address before the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association, and he made a fine impression upon all who met him. He was at the time a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President, and it is believed that had he made his tour of the South this year, he would have won it.

As it was, he practically carried Alabama in a campaign which lasted only a few weeks.

Strong in the South.
Governor Johnson's record as Chief Executive of Minnesota, and the fact that he has three times been elected in a Republican State over popular candidates have combined to make him a strong presidential probability in 1912, and it is a well-known fact that he is exceptionally strong in the South, where there is a long desire to get away from one-man domination and go before the country once more with a winning candidate in an old-fashioned Democratic platform.

Governor Johnson's success in public life has been remarkable, and though he has never compromised with the Republicans of his State, nor given them any quarter in his fights, he has always won, and seems to have a more powerful hold upon the rank and file of both parties in Minnesota now than ever before. It is altogether likely that the Governor will talk over the national political situation with him during his stay in Richmond, although it is understood that his visit to the South at this time has absolutely no political significance.

Council Schedule.
Council committees scheduled for meetings this week as follows: Monday—Common Council, 8 P. M.; Cemetery, 8 P. M.

Wednesday—Subcommittee of the Committee on Electricity, Chairman Richardson and Councilmen Pollock and Pollard, to consider the bill for the purchase of the electric power of the City of Richmond, 8 P. M.

Thursday—Special Committee on Form of Government, public hearing 8 P. M.; Grounds and Buildings, 8 P. M.

Mounted Men Had Long Chase.
Ira Bradshaw, colored, was arrested last night after a chase by two mounted men, and charged with reckless driving. The man was letting his horse go at an unusual rate of speed, and the two officers had to chase him for a mile before they could catch him.

James Mayo, colored, was arrested on a charge of using a cue stick as a battering ram on the person of Anderson Wilkerson.

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Southern Baptists Gave Nearly Half a Million Dollars for Foreign Missions.

GEORGIA LED ALL STATES

Collections, Closing April 30, Amounted to \$460,819.97, but This May Be Increased.

Receipts of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1909, as announced yesterday, were \$460,819.97, which is an increase of \$68,000 as compared with the preceding year. Of the States Georgia leads, with more than \$46,000. Texas is second and Virginia third.

In the work of the board the expenses exceeded the receipts by \$31,000, but according to Rev. William H. Smith, editorial secretary of the board, this indebtedness has no tendency to cause discouragement, as the figures are steadily increasing, and indications are that the amount will be wiped out during the next fiscal year.

Greater Than He Expected.
Rev. R. J. Willingham, corresponding secretary, who remained up until 3 o'clock yesterday morning in his enthusiasm to learn the result of the year's work, said the result surpassed the fondest expectations of those directly interested.

"We expected an increase, of course," said Dr. Willingham, "but we could not have foreseen such a glorious climax to our endeavors. I will make the report to the General Convention in Louisville on May 13."

The past year has seen a great advancement in the various mission fields supported by the Southern Baptists in China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil and Argentina. In many instances native workers have been taken independent work among their countrymen. New stations have been started, and in Brazil the workers there, without the assistance of the church in this country, have undertaken to extend the work into Chile and Portugal.

There are now 238 missionaries supported by the Foreign Mission Board, besides 370 workers, whose duties include teaching and preaching. In China the native workers have opened work in Manchuria. Splendid reports have been received from the various fields, and the number of conversions far exceeds the reports of last year.

There have been 2,995 additions to the missionary churches by baptism, whereas the number last year was 2,174. The exact figures, showing amounts reported from each State separately, will not be made public until the annual convention of the board, which will be held at the Jefferson Ward Club, and the other in Monroe Hall, this being a regular meeting of the Clay Ward Actives. All the local candidates are invited to attend the Clay Ward meeting and make speeches setting forth their claims, and on those for sheriff and high constable will be heard at the Jefferson Ward meeting.

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PRESIDENT TAFT WILL SEND NAGEL

Secretary of Commerce and Labor to Address Virginia Republican Convention.

According to Washington dispatches last night, President Taft has decided that Charles Nagel, Secretary of Commerce and Labor, to extend his Cabinet office, who will represent the administration at the Republican State Convention, which will meet in Newport News on July 28. It is understood that